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SELECTMEN'S REPORT,

For the Year Ending February 15, 1904.

The selectmen of Rindge have drawn on the town treasurer for the year ending Feb. 15, 1904, allowing charges and demands against the town, as follows:

SALARY OF TOWN OFFICERS.

John D. Whitney, services as selectman from Feb. 15, 1903, to March 10, 1903, 8 days,	$12 00
Frederick L. Barrett, services as selectman from Feb. 15, 1903, to March 10, 1903, 6½ days,	9 75
Otis H. Norcross, services as selectman from Feb. 15, 1903, to March 10, 1903, 7 days,	10 50
Frederick L. Barrett, services as selectman from March 10, 1903, to Feb. 15, 1904, 46 days,	69 00
Charles F. Platts, services as selectman from March 10, 1903, to Feb. 15, 1904, 45½ days,	68 25
Francis D. Converse, services as selectman from March 10, 1903, to Feb. 15, 1904, 31½ days,	47 25
Warren W. Emory, town clerk,	30 00
Warren W. Emory, town treasurer,	30 00
Warren W. Emory, school clerk,	1 50
Warren W. Emory, school treasurer,	8 00
Charles F. Platts, 18½ days on school board,	27 75
Jane E. Colby, 29 days on school board,	43 50
Daniel J. Smith, 6 days on school board,	9 00
Abram White, collector of taxes,	75 00
Jason S. Perry, services as overseer of poor 5 days,	7 50

Melvin Adams, moderator,	4 00
Arthur E. Taggart, supervisor of check list,	22 50
James Hamlin, services as constable,	4 50
Edwin H. Sargent, services as constable,	6 00
Arthur E. Taggart, services as constable,	6 75
	$492 75

SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

Warren W. Emory, treasurer,	$2,000 00

BREAKING ROADS WINTERS, 1902, 1903 AND 1904.

Victor H. Rice,	$50 44
George C. Todd,	84 52
James R. Danforth,	34 68
	$169 64

SUPPORT OF ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Edward Burnap,	$584 68
W. E. Hale,	401 20
George C. Todd,	536 02
	$1,521 90

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES.

Warren W. Emory, state tax,	$1,045 50
Warren W. Emory, county tax,	1,187 20
	$2,232 70

SUPPORT OF POOR.

Jason S. Perry, overseer,	$310 55

PRINTING ANNUAL REPORTS.

Sentinel Printing Co., invoice and annual reports,	$60 00

OVER-ASSESSMENT.

Hiram M. Clark, real estate,	$0 60
N. J. Woodbury estate,	4 50
	$5 10

TAXES ABATED.

Abram White, collector,	$11 60

TAXES REFUNDED.

Abram White, collector,	$8 71

DISCOUNT ON TAXES.

Abram White, collector,	$133 66

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Shepley Z. Cleaves, Michael P. Donley, Lawrence B. Hatch, time and expense,	$3 25

MISCELLANEOUS.

Batchelder & Faulkner, retainer,	$6 00
William D. Chase, appropriation, Memorial day,	55 00
Warren W. Emory, interest on library fund,	50 00
Warren W. Emory, interest on Jones fund,	6 00
Warren W. Emory, insurance on tablets,	3 00
Warren W. Emory, library appropriation,	200 00
Warren W. Emory, notifying jurors,	3 00
Warren W. Emory, dog police,	4 00

Warren W. Emory, recording births, deaths and marriages,	4 85
Warren W. Emory, stationery, blanks, postage and telephoning,	3 60
Warren W. Emory, oil and chimneys, town hall,	1 55
Henry W. Fletcher, telephoning,	2 20
Sentinel Printing Co., printing notices,	1 25
W. E. Hale, carting dirt,	2 50
Clarence E. Towne, town auditor,	3 75
Frederick L. Barrett, cleaning town hall,	5 11
Warren W. Emory, appropriation Old Home day,	75 00
Addison Todd, appropriation old cemetery,	15 80
James E. Carr, repairs on West Rindge water works,	45 65
Charles F. Platts, cutting grass, old cemetery,	12 00
Jane E. Colby, school supplies,	129 49
Jane E. Colby, freight and express,	7 18
Frederick L. Barrett, repairs on hearse house,	2 30
Mrs. Charles F. Platts, enumerating school children,	12 00
Jason S. Perry, two sheep killed by dogs,	8 00
Jason S. Perry, Pushmiss case,	3 00
John D. Whitney, express and expense out of town,	4 05
Frederick L. Barrett, digging graves and attending 13 funerals,	52 00
Frederick L. Barrett, bounty on 193 hedgehogs,	48 25
Lawrence B. Hatch, returning births and deaths,	3 25
Ned Thrasher, ballot inspector,	1 50
William T. Donley, ballot inspector,	1 50
Ralsamon D. Converse, ballot inspector,	1 50
Selectmen, defending Jones water case,	75 26
Fred J. Leighton, wood for town hall,	5 00
Edwin H. Sargent, repairing bell frame,	2 25
Edwin H. Sargent, material for fire extinguisher,	57
Herbert E. Wetherbee, painting steeple,	19 86
Dr. F. W. Jones, returning one death record,	25
W. F. Jowders, maintaining public watering trough,	2 00
Samuel Landry, repairing bell frame,	4 00
Clinton F. Barrett, fitting wood for town hall,	1 50

Arthur E. Taggart, Pushmiss case,	8 94
Arthur E. Taggart, James Hood case,	9 06
William D. Chase, care of town hall,	20 00
Francis D. Converse, oak timber for bell frame,	1 50
Walter S. Damon, assistance rendered at inquest of Jacob Kaski,	4 35
Abram White, stationery, postage and tax receipts,	8 88
Frederick L. Barrett, selectmen's expenses out of town,	6 70
W. H. Spalter, collector's book,	1 75
Charles F. Platts, care of town clock,	15 00
Frederick L. Barrett, express, stationery and postage,	4 25
Herbert E. Wetherbee, maintaining public watering trough,	2 00
W. E. Hale, repairing road near W. E. Stearns's house,	25 00
Jason S. Perry, expenses out of town and telephoning,	6 40
Jason S. Perry, maintaining public watering trough,	2 00
Ned Thrasher, James Wood case,	1 50
	$1,002.30

RECAPITULATION.

Salary of town officers,	$492 75
Support of schools,	2,000 00
Breaking roads in winters, 1902, 1903, 1904,	169 64
Support of roads and bridges,	1,521 90
State and county taxes,	2,232 70
Support of poor,	310 55
Printing annual reports,	60 00
Over-assessment,	5 10
Taxes abated,	11 60
Taxes refunded,	8 71
Discount on taxes,	133 66
Board of health,	3 25
Miscellaneous,	1,002 30
	$7,952 16

The collector, Abram White, has promptly paid into the town treasury all taxes committed to him for collection.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK L. BARRETT,
CHARLES F. PLATTS,
FRANCIS D. CONVERSE,
Selectmen of Rindge.

Rindge, N. H., Feb. 15, 1904.

We have examined the above report and find the same correctly cast and well vouched.

HERBERT E. WETHERBEE,
NED THRASHER,
CLARENCE E. TOWNE,
Auditors.

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER.

RECEIPTS.

Cash in treasury, March 1, 1903,	$304 30
Jason S. Perry, county claims,	87 53
Louis Urquhart, pool table licenses,	8 00
H. E. Wetherbee, administrator Otis Hubbard estate,	36 05
81 dog licenses,	160 29
Five town histories sold,	20 00
Chas. F. Platts, tax collector, 1902,	1 50
Hillside cemetery committee,	10 50
State treasurer, railroad tax,	78 30
State treasurer, literary fund,	94 99
State treasurer, savings bank tax,	876 82
State treasurer, bounty on hedgehogs,	48 25
Abram White, collector, 1901, refunded tax,	2 70
Abram White, collector, 1903, state, county, town, school and highway taxes,	7,432 12
Abram White collector, interest on taxes,	17 61
Total receipts,	$9,179 03

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid 122 orders drawn by the selectmen,	$7,952 16
Cash in treasury,	1,226 87
	$9,179 03

Respectfully submitted,

WARREN W. EMORY,
Town Treasurer.

Rindge, N. H., Feb. 20, 1904.

We have examined the above report and find the same correctly cast and well vouched.

HERBERT E. WETHERBEE,
NED THRASHER,
CLARENCE E. TOWNE,
Auditors.

REPORT OF ROAD AGENTS.

Edward Burnap, 63 days,	$126 00
Edward Burnap, horse, 54 days, 5 hours,	54 50
R. R. Converse, 28 days, 8 hours,	43 20
R. R. Converse, oxen, 20 days, 4 hours,	40 80
R. R. Converse, plank,	1 20
Fred Leighton, 22 days, 5 hours,	33 75
Fred Leighton, team, 22 days, 5 hours,	45 00
George Kimball, 47 days, 8 hours,	71 70
Forest Huse, 31 days, 6 hours,	47 40
Jerome Leighton, 1 day,	1 50
Willie Duplease, 3 days,	4 50
Charles Stearns, 1 day,	1 50
Alphonse, 13 days,	19 50
Waldo Hunter, 16 days,	24 00
U. B. & L. Co., 2,515 feet lumber,	37 73
Annett Mfg. Co., lumber and work,	30 60
Daniel Dunn, repair work,	1 80
W. E. Hale, 38 days, 5 hours,	77 00
W. E. Hale, team, 20 days,	70 00
W. E. Hale, team, 9 days,	36 00
W. E. Hale, horse, 22½ days,	22 50
Walter B. Hart, 13½ days,	20 25
Warren Rugg, 9½ days,	14 25
E. C. Barrett, 2½ days,	3 75
Robert H. Brennan, 6½ days,	9 75
Charlie Crosby, 1 day,	1 50
Charlie Crosby, team, 8 days,	28 00
Charlie Crosby, team, 9 days,	36 00

Charles Todd, team, 1 day,	3 50
Charles Stearns, 16 days,	24 00
George Cragin, 5 days,	7 50
John Moody, 5 days,	7 50
Myron A. Knight, 3 days,	4 50
George Parsons, 2 days,	3 00
Lorin Knight, 2 days,	3 00
Arthur F. Bartlett, 12 days,	18 00
Excess of appropriation of W. E. Stearns road,	25
Dynamite,	3 10
Repairs on road machine,	35
G. O. Bartlett, sharpening tools,	1 25
Charles Todd, 25 poles at 25c,	6 25
Chas. Todd and team, 3 days,	10 50
Geo. Parson, 3 days,	4 50
Diamond Match Co., for lumber,	12 60
E. Sargent, gravel,	3 00
Sam Jones, gravel,	3 50
A. Brown, repairing road machine and tools,	4 22
H. W. Fletcher, spikes,	50
Geo. Bartlett, sharpening drills,	1 20
E. Turner and team, 6 days,	24 00
W. E. Hale and team, 2 days,	8 00
E. C. Jewell and team 11 days,	44 00
Fred Todd and team, 48 days, 8 hours,	177 80
W. Rice, 4 days,	6 00
E. Stearns, 1 day,	1 50
W. Hart, 9 days,	13 50
W. A. Burpee, 2 days,	3 00
W. E. Stearns and team, 1 day, 5 hours,	5 25
Chas. Crosby and team, 1 day,	3 50
A Todd, 38 days, 4 hours,	67 60
A. P. Bateman, drain pipe,	4 80
M. Wilson, 1 day, 6 hours,	2 40
Geo. Kimball, work,	3 20
J. French, work,	50
J. Whitney, man, 1 day,	1 50

Leland & Brooks, dynamite and fuse,	3 80
Geo. Todd, 21 days, 2 hours,	42 40
Oscar Wishman, 19 days, 5 hours,	29 25
Henry Watson, 23 days,	34 50
Paul Florence, 13 days,	19 50
	$1,521 90

EDWARD BURNAP,
W. E. HALE,
GEORGE C. TODD,
Road Agents.

We have examined the above report and find the same correctly cast.

HERBERT E. WETHERBEE,
NED THRASHER,
CLARENCE E. TOWNE,
Auditors.

Rindge, N. H., Feb. 20, 1904.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

TOWN PAUPERS.

Harry Hale:	
Paid for board at county farm, 52 weeks, at $2.50,	$130 00
Clothing,	11 00
	$141 00
Maria S. Hale:	
Paid for board at county farm, 52 weeks, at $2.50,	$130 00
Clothing,	12 05
	$142 05
Tramps:	
Paid E. H. Sargent, keeping 13 tramps, at 50c,	$6 50
Total expense to town,	$289 55

COUNTY PAUPERS.

Ida Richards:	
Paid Dr. Thorning, medical attendance,	$21 00
Total expense of town and county paupers,	$310 55

Received of treasurer on selectmen's orders, $310.55.

Collected of the county and paid into the treasury in full of all claims, $87.53.

Respectfully submitted,

JASON S. PERRY,
Overseer of the Poor.

We find the foregoing report correctly cast and well vouched.

HERBERT E. WETHERBEE,
NED THRASHER,
CLARENCE E. TOWNE,
Auditors.

Rindge, N. H., Feb. 20, 1904.

CEMETERIES.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE FOR THE OLD CEMETERY.

Received interest on cemetery fund,	$39 04
Received of town treasurer,	12 00
Cash on hand February 15, 1903,	4 81
	$55 85
Which sum we paid out as follows:	
Chas. F. Platts, work done,	$2 40
Paul Florence, cutting grass,	12 00
Willis Whitney, setting stone,	7 00
Willis Whitney, cement,	2 00
Chas. F. Stearns, care of vases,	7 00
Fred L. Barrett, work on Cutter lot,	3 50
William D. Chase, care Burnham lot,	3 00
Chas. F. Platts, services as treasurer,	3 00
	$39 90
Cash on hand February 15, 1904,	15 95
	$55 85

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES F. PLATTS,
JOEL WELLINGTON,
ADDISON TODD,
Committee.

We have examined the above report and find the same correctly cast.

HERBERT E. WETHERBEE,
NED THRASHER,
Auditors.

Rindge, N. H., Feb. 20, 1904.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE FOR HILLSIDE CEMETERY.

RECEIVED.

Samuel J. Hardison, for 1 lot,	$10 00
Henry W. Wellington, for 1 lot,	10 00
Willis M. Rice, for 1 lot,	10 00
Chas. F. Stearns, for grass,	2 50
	$32 50

PAID.

Frederick L. Barrett and others, labor,	$21 00
W. W. Emory,	1 00
Into town treasury,	10 50
	$32 50

Respectfully submitted,

WARREN W. EMORY,
FREDERICK L. BARRETT,
Committee.

We have examined the above report and find the same correctly cast.

HERBERT E. WETHERBEE,
NED THRASHER,
CLARENCE E. TOWNE,
Auditors.

Rindge, N. H., Feb. 20, 1904.

SCHOOL REPORT.

Your committee in presenting their annual statistical and financial report are happy to add that, on the whole, it has been a very prosperous school year. We have been favored with an excellent corps of teachers who have been efficient and devoted to their work.

The attendance has not reached the ideal state but we hope there has been some improvement in that direction. We ask for the good of the schools as well as to meet the requirements of the law, the fullest cooperation of the parents in securing the attendance of the scholars "all the time the schools are in session" and on time. If possible let there be no tardy or dismissal marks on the register.

Constant attendance and in season should be regarded as a part of the education of the schools to prepare the scholars for prompt and reliable citizenship. Your committee desire to express their pleasure for the extra amount raised for school purposes. By its aid extra expense for transportation has been met, all the schools lengthened one week and one more school sustained than last year.

The expense of transportation may seem large but it is less than it would be to sustain more schools, which we should be obliged to do without the system, to say nothing of other advantages.

Some repairs and improvements are needed in our school property. Good school buildings and grounds are a means of education in themselves and highly important. Poor, illy adapted, neglected and dilapidated buildings are demoralizing. We require care and neatness on the part of our children, we should have our school property in such a condition as to inspire them to respect, preserve and not to destroy. As a town we are highly favored in having three public libraries. These are helpful for supplementary work

in our schools and should be used so as to secure the greatest possible good for the teachers and the scholars. In view of the vital importance of our schools we ask the largest appropriation, above legal requirements, that can be reasonably granted to meet our needed expenses and lengthen the number of weeks of schooling. We ask your careful consideration and favorable action on the question to come before you at the annual town meeting as to the advisability of having the town classed with others in a supervisory district.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD,

For the Year Ending Feb. 15, 1904.

School No. 3.

Anna K. Devel, teaching 11 weeks, spring term,	$88 00
Herman H. Jones, teaching 11 weeks, fall team,	88 00
Herman H. Jones, teaching 4 weeks, winter term,	32 00
Care room 26 weeks,	5 20
H. A. Stearns, 2 cords wood,	10 00
O. H. Norcross, repairs on chimney,	3 50
	$226 70

School No. 5, (Grammar).

Emma E. L. Miller, teaching 11 weeks, spring term,	$88 00
Elizabeth H. Devel, teaching 10 weeks, fall term,	80 00
Elizabeth H. Devel, teaching 5 weeks, winter term,	40 00
Care room, 26 weeks,	5 70
Cleaning house and vault,	2 00
H. A. Stearns, 2½ cords wood,	12 50
	$228 20

School No. 5, (Primary).

Josephine E. Clark, teaching 11 weeks, spring term,	$88 00
Amy Belle Taggart, teaching 12 weeks, fall term,	96 00
Amy Belle Taggart, teaching 3 weeks, winter term,	24 00
Care room, 26 weeks,	5 50

Cleaning,	1 00
H. A. Stearns, 2½ cords wood,	12 50
E. H. Sargent, material and repairs,	5 75
	$232 75

School No. 6.

Harriet S. French, teaching 11 weeks, spring term,	$82 50
Maude M. Fiske, teaching 11 4-5 weeks, fall term,	88 50
Maude M. Fiske, teaching 3 weeks, winter term,	22 50
Care room, 26 weeks,	4 90
Cleaning,	3 15
F. N. Colby, 4 cords wood, kindling, work on stove,	21 65
	$223 20

School No. 8.

Amy Belle Taggart, teaching 11 weeks, spring term,	$88 00
Emma E. Marble, teaching 12 weeks, fall term,	96 00
Emma E. Marble, teaching 3 weeks, winter term,	24 00
Care room, 26 weeks,	5 20
Cleaning,	3 68
Arthur Littell, brooms, dustpan, brushes, 1902-03,	95
	$217 83

School No. 9.

Anne M. Thrasher, teaching 11 weeks, spring term,	$82 50
Anne M. Thrasher, teaching 9 4-5 weeks, fall term,	73 50
Anne M. Thrasher, teaching 5 weeks, winter term,	37 50
Care room, 26 weeks,	5 16
S. E. White, shingles and pine,	29 20
Cleaning,	2 00
John S. French, 1 cord wood,	5 50
Moving and setting up stove,	2 00
Glass, putty, nails, screws, dipper, pail, labor,	1 41
	$238 77

School No. 10.

Eula F. Jones, teaching 11 weeks, spring term,	$82 50
Eula F. Jones, teaching 12 weeks, fall term,	90 00

Eula F. Jones, teaching 3 weeks, winter term,	22 50
Care room, 26 weeks,	5 20
Cleaning,	1 25
Clarence E. Towne, material for windows and repairs,	3 62
C. H. Thomas, 2 cords wood, 1902,	8 00
C. H. Thomas, 2 cords wood,	10 50
Clarence Brooks, wood, 1902,	2 50
	$226 07

MISCELLANEOUS.

Jaffrey, tuition due February 15, 1903,	$14 75
Fitzwillian, tuition due February 15, 1903,	12 00
H. W. Wellington, transportation, 1902,	12 50
Jennie Miller, transportation, No. 7 to No. 6,	79 50
H. W. Wellington, transportation,	13 00
Davenport Austin, transportation,	52 50
Philip Bean, transportation, No. 4 to No. 3,	78 00
Mrs. C. F. Platts, transportation of Fenerty children to No. 5,	99 75
Mrs. McGregor, transportation,	44 00
C. W. Huse, 1 dozen brooms,	2 25
J. E. Colby, dustpans,	50
W. W. Emory, nails, pails, glass, etc.,	4 31
	$413 06

RECAPITALATION.

Account of school No. 3,	$226 70
Account of school No. 5, primary,	232 75
Account of school No. 5, grammar,	228 20
Account of school No. 6,	223 20
Account of school No. 8,	217 83
Account of school No. 9,	238 77
Account of school No. 10,	226 07
Miscellaneous,	413 06
	$2,006 58

Amount appropriated by town for schools,	$2,000 00
Balance in treasury from last year,	2 06
School supplies sold,	46
Tuition from town of New Ipswich for 1902,	4 80
	$2,007 32
Amount of orders drawn on treasurer,	$2,006 58
	$0 74

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES F. PLATTS,
JANE E. COLBY,
D. J. SMITH,
School Board of Rindge.

We have examined the above report and find it correctly cast.

HERBERT E. WETHERBEE,
ARTHUR M. HALE,
ARTHUR E. TAGGART,
Auditors.

ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE.

No. 3—Spring term. Forrest Stearns.

No. 3—Fall term. Ellenus M. Hill, Merle M. Morrison, Philip Prescott, Lottie M. Carey, Ruth Prescott.

No. 3—Winter term. George C. Greenwood, Clarissa Greenwood, Forrest C. Stearns.

No. 5—Primary. Spring term. Harry C. Whitney, Ruth W. Fitzgerald, Grace M. Hale.

No. 5—Primary. Fall term. Clarence Danforth, Florence Danforth, Hattie Whitney, Henry Whitney, Grace Hale, Ruth Fitzgerald, Ernest Barrett, Frank Fenerty.

No. 5—Primary. Winter term. Florence Danforth, Ruth Fitzgerald, Mildred Hale, Clarence Danforth, Ernest Barrett, Henry Fitzgerald, Harry Stearns.

No. 5—Grammar. Spring term. Amy B. Sargent, Leslie A. Barrett, Clinton F. Barrett, Raymond M. Hale.

No. 5—Grammar. Fall term. Clinton F. Barrett, Leslie Barrett, Raymond Hale, Nellie McGregor, Sadie H. Norcross, Amy B. Sargent.

No. 5—Grammar. Winter term. Clinton F. Barrett, Raymond Hale, Grace Danforth, Anna Fitzgerald, Sadie H. Norcross, Amy B. Sargent.

No. 6—Spring term. Josephine Gallagher.

No. 6—Fall term. M. Josie Gallagher, Eugenie E. Gallagher.

No. 6—Winter term. Jessie M. Bourgualt, Eugenie E. Gallagher, Mary J. Gallagher, Alexina Picard.

No. 8—Spring term. Roy Whittier, Fred Whittier.

No. 8—Fall term. Edna Lloyd, Carl Converse, Carl Dunn, Wilfred Butterfield, Fred Whittier.

No. 8—Winter term. Violet Hamlin, Edna Lloyd, Grace Truman, Hazel Knox, Carl Converse, Guy Dunn, Roy Whittier.

No. 9—Spring term. Lottie M. Frink, Edith J. Knight, Emma J. Philips, Arthur L. Knight, Willie O. Philips, Louis H. Philips, Oscar E. Wishman.

No. 9—Fall term. Lottie M. Frink, Emma J. Philips, Oscar E. Wishman, Oscar P. Thrasher.

No. 10—Spring term. Ray Ernest Chesley, Rose May Miner, Stella Mary Popple, Lena Gertrude Towne.

No. 10—Fall term. Albert Charles Popple, Clarence Joseph Popple, Stella Mary Popple, Lena Gertrude Towne.

No. 10—Winter term. May Israel Deforest, Albert C. Popple, Clarence J. Popple, Stella Mary Popple, Lena Gertrude Towne.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

No. of School.	Name of Teacher.	Weeks of school.	No. of pupils.	Instances of tardiness.	No. not absent.	No. visits by parents and others.	Wages per month.
	SPRING TERM.						
3	Anna K. Devel	11	19	18	1	31	$32.00
5, Primary	Josephine E. Clark	11	20	33	4	44	32.00
5, Grammar	Emma E. L. Miller	11	17	3	3	26	32.00
6	Harriet S. French	11	19	25	5	32	30.00
8	Amy Belle Taggart	11	29	1	5	44	32.00
9	Anne Mary Thrasher	11	11	1	8	48	30.00
10	Eula Florence Jones	11	11	.....	4	19	30.00
	FALL TERM.						
3	Herman H. Jones	11	24	9	10	12	32.00
5, Primary	Amy Belle Taggart	12	23	12	10	36	32.00
5, Grammar	Elizabeth H. Devel	10	15	21	9	10	32.00
6	Maude M. Fiske	11 4/5	20	40	2	18	30.00
8	Emma E. Marble	12	28	7	5	23	32.00
9	Annie M. Thrasher	9 4/5	10	.....		14	30.00
10	Eula Florence Jones	12	9	2	4	34	30.00
	WINTER TERM.						
3	Herman H. Jones	4	24	12	8	2	30.00
5, Primary	Amy Belle Taggart	3	18	7	10	11	32.00
5, Grammar	Elizabeth H. Devel	5	16	13	9	14	32.00
6	Maude M. Fiske	3	17	24	6	4	30 00
8	Emma E. Marble	3	27	10	11	7	32.00
9	Anne Mary Thrasher	5	10	.....	2	6	30.00
10	Eula Florence Jones	3	8	.....	5	5	30.00

STUDIES PURSUED DURING THE YEAR.

	Spring Term.							Fall Term.							Winter Term.						
No. of School.	3	5 Prim.	5 Gram.	6	8	9	10	3	5 Prim	5 Gram.	6	8	9	10	3	5 Prim.	5 Gram.	6	8	9	10
Reading	18	20	17	19	28	10	11	27	22	14	20	29	10	9	.....	18	15	17	27	10	8
Spelling	16	20	15	16	28	10	11	25	22	12	20	20	10	9	.....	18	11	17	27	10	8
Penmanship	17	20	.....	19	28	10	11	27	22	.....	20	29	10	9	.....	18	.....	17	27	10	8
Arithmetic	17	20	15	19	28	10	11	27	22	12	20	29	10	9	.....	18	13	17	27	10	8
Geography	10	9	17	13	21	8	10	27	9	.....	13	21	7	9	.....	11	.....	13	17	7	5
Grammar	10	9	17	9	21	8	5	12	9	14	9	9	7	5	.....	11	15	11	.....	.....	.....
U. S. History	5	7	6	3	21	3	6	8	9	4	3	9	6	9	.....	11	.....	4	17	7	8
Composition	.....	9	17	6	21	.....	5	15	9	14	3	.....	.....	5	.....	11	15	.....	9	6	5
Drawing	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Vocal music	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8
Physiology	11	9	17	17	28	.....	11	13	13	14	12	21	.....	9	.....	.....	15	13	17	8	8
Bookkeeping	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....
Algebra	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....
Geometry	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
Botany	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	.....
Physical geography	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	.....	.....
Literature	.....	.....	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....
Roman History	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
Calisthenics	.....	24	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Composition	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....
Physics	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Nature study	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28	.....	.....

SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER'S REPORT,

For the Year Ending Feb. 15, 1904.

Cash in treasury March 1, 1903,	$2 06
From town treasury, appropriation,	2,000 00
From town of New Ipswich, tuition Goodrich children,	4 80
From Mrs. J. E. Colby, school supplies sold,	46
Total receipts,	$2,007 32

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid on 74 orders drawn by school board,	$2,006 58
Balance in treasury,	74
	$2,007 32

Respectfully submitted,

WARREN W. EMORY,
School Treasurer.

Rindge, Feb. 17, 1904.

We have examined the above report and find it correctly cast.

HERBERT E. WETHERBEE,
ARTHUR E. TAGGART,
Auditors.

THE INGALLS MEMORIAL LIBRARY.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

For the Year Ending December 31, 1903.

Gentlemen:—The report of our librarian is so complete and suggestive that there remains little to be said, except to ask for the appropriation of two hundred dollars to supplement the interest derived from our investments.

There are one or two points also to which I would gladly call attention. As will be noted in the report of the librarian, we have again been asked to contribute our share to the exhibit of the American Library Association at a World's Exposition. This is a tribute to our methods of which we may well be proud, and I am glad of the opportunity to make public acknowledgement of the debt which we all owe to Mrs. Miller, not only for the care, interest and intelligence with which she performs her duties, but for the many hours of unrewarded labor which she devotes to them. It is to her that our library owes its position as an up-to-date library for one of its size. With her continued assistance and in time further financial aid from such friends as may be interested, we shall hope to add a card catalogue to our possessions. May I also beg that all who are interested in our Museum and are proud of the attraction which it already becomes in our little town, will generously loan us from time to time, such articles of interest especially as belong to the early industries of our colonial life. Articles of general interest also are most welcome. We are aware that the town cannot give us large sums of money, but in this way each can do his share towards the support of what they must feel is for the good of all.

Respectfully submitted,

EZRA S. STEARNS,
HERBERT I. WALLACE,
MARY L. WARE,
Trustees.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

For the Year Ending December 31, 1903.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand January 1, 1903,	$105 52
Interest on note of town of Rindge,	50 00
Interest from trust funds,	177 28
Appropriation,	200 00
Book fines,	2 48
Donations,	100 00
	$635 28

EXPENDITURES.

Magazines,	$12 90
New books,	149 01
Insurance,	12 81
Transportation of books,	20 00
Painting,	11 34
Fuel,	58 00
Repairs on chimneys,	75 09
Binding books,	29 00
General expense,	21 08
Salaries,	200 00
Cataloguing,	20 00
Cash on hand January 1, 1904,	26 05
	$635 28

The trust funds are invested as follows:

Fitchburg Savings Bank,	$1,600 00
Athol Savings Bank,	1,000 00
Worcester North Savings Institution,	$1,000 00
	$3,600 00

And ten (10) shares Fitchburg Gas & Electric Light Co.

HERBERT I. WALLACE,
Treasurer Trustees of Ingalls Memorial Library.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

For the Year Ending December 31, 1903.

It would probably be difficult to find another town of the size of Rindge having a library that offers the advantages found here. The two-book system, special privileges to those doing special work, free delivery of books, co-operation with schools and assistance to school children and to teachers, no age limit for children, the excellent class of books, choosing of books from the shelves in the book-room, and the home use of our latest periodicals, are some of the benefits enjoyed by those using the library.

Following the practice of other progressive libraries, we have stamped the date, on the borrower's card, on which the book is due rather than when it was loaned. The advantage of this is recognized by the borrower at once.

To accommodate those living at a distance for the library, during the past year, many library books have been taken from the home of the librarian and returned there, on days when the library was not open. This was done in the winter, especially.

The need of a subject catalogue to find material in the accumulating number of books on our shelves has frequently been felt. Only a card catalogue would satisfactorily meet this need, and whenever financial or other conditions will allow having such a catalogue, the library will be still better prepared to meet the calls made upon it for assistance.

The following circular has been received from the State Library at Concord:

"Persons wishing to borrow books from the miscellaneous department of the State Library can do so through this library. The only conditions are (1) that the borrower shall pay transportation charges and (2) that the books shall be returned to this library within two weeks. With its collection of over 80,000 volumes, the State Library is now able to furnish books giving desired information in history, science, and other reference subjects. The state librarian will be glad to answer any questions with reference to the scope of the library upon any subject. Inquiries and applications for books should be made through the librarian of this library."

The State Library also receives old periodicals from the public libraries in exchange for those needed to fill out sets in the public libraries. With this in view, any individuals having old magazines to give away will find a place for them in our library, where they may be exchanged for those wanted here.

A plan of renting to libraries current books not wanted permanently in a library has been put into operation by the "Bodley Library," the "Tabard Inn Library," and others. This method furnishes books of popular interest at less expense than their purchase would cost. Art exhibits are also loaned to public libraries at a nominal expense. These statements may be suggestive for future experiment.

To be progressive in library work, a librarian needs as much preparation and study of up-to-date methods as is expected of a progressive teacher. Membership in a library association, attendance at library institutes, knowledge of methods used in other libraries, and reading of magazines designed to promote library interests, are all offered to this end.

A request has has been received from the librarian of congress for articles from our library to be exhibited in the A. L. A. exhibit of the St. Louis Exposition.

The library was open on "Old Home Day," August 19, and the many visitors were interested in all that they saw in and about the building. Special interest centred in the museum collection, and as a result, several valuable antiquities were received later.

A number of birds and animals have been added to the collection the past year. The following persons have made gifts or loans for the museum collection: Mrs. L. H. Lowe, Orange, Mass.; Mrs. C. S. French, Mrs. H. W. Fletcher, Mr. Otis H. Norcross, Mrs. W. H. Rugg, Mrs. Thomas Buswell, Miss Ella Brigham, Mrs. Mary Todd, Mrs. W. E. Stearns, Mrs. Abbie Hughgill, children of Mr. Willard Brigham, Mrs. W. W. Emory, Miss Marion Rice, Miss Mary L. Ware, church of Rindge Centre, and Mrs. Mary A. Stearns. Some old coins were given by a friend from the South.

A considerable number of old magazines were given by Mrs. E. J. Hale, Mrs. Mary Todd, Mrs. Edith Stearns, and others. A complete set of Harper's Magazine, numbering 105 volumes, elegantly

bound, were given by Messrs. H. I. and G. R. Wallace, and the later numbers belonging to the library were bound by Mr. Wallace, bringing the set up-to-date. Dr. Hatch has given a year's subscription to the Brown Book; Rev. Granville Yager, a year's subscription to the Congregationalist; and Hon. S. H. Stearns of Concord has given a year's subscription to the Review of Reviews. Mrs. Hattie Chadwick has given a book of old sermons more than one hundred years old, and Mrs. Eastman has given a volume written by Mary Wollstonecraft and printed in 1792. Other volumes were given by J. F. Munroe, Boston; H. I. Wallace, and the MacMillan company, besides state and government reports. Miss Ware has given photographs and 50 volumes, including the Encyclopedia Britannica and Guizot's History of France. One hundred and thirty-five volumes were added by purchase.

Following is the table of circulation by months for 1903:

	Books.	Daily Aver.	West Rindge Library.	Unbound Magazines.
January,	301	33	63	78 numbers
February,	286	35	54	51 "
March,	267	33	38	58 "
April,	272	30	61	45 "
May,	233	29	32	62 "
June,	211	30	32	50 "
July,	233	29	36	56 "
August,	283	35	54	85 "
September,	312	35	23	72 "
October,	307	34	19	51 "
November,	279	35	17	63 "
December,	276	30	14	72 "
Totals,	3,260 vols.		443 vols.	743 numbers.

We again report an increase in circulation of magazines and of juveniles, the numbers being the largest since the library was opened in 1895. In 1897, there was the largest circulation of books, 3,337 volumes. In 1896, 3,270 volumes circulated, and in 1903, 3,260 volumes were taken, the numbers for these three years leading the record for all the other years.

The following list gives the classes of books circulated in 1902 and 1903:

	Circulation for 1902.	Circulation for 1903.
Fiction,	1,942 volumes.	2,132 volumes.
Travels,	137 "	189 "
General literature,	158 "	130 "
History,	109 "	141 "
Biography,	123 "	138 "
Natural science,	146 "	158 "
Poetry,	112 "	90 "
Useful arts,	76 "	52 "
Sociology,	115 "	96 "
Miscellaneous classes,	160 "	134 "
	3,078 volumes.	3,260 volumes.
Magazines,	571 numbers.	743 numbers.
Juveniles,	909 volumes.	1,023 volumes.

The largest daily circulation in 1903 was 63 volumes given out December 12. 38 new names were added to the list of patrons. The number of card holders to December 31, 1904, is 696.

Respectfully submitted,

EMMA E. MILLER,
Librarian.

February 8, 1904.

REPORT OF

WEST RINDGE BRANCH LIBRARY,

For the Year Ending December 31, 1903.

Ten hundred and eleven (1,011) books have been circulated. Of this number twenty-five were sent to the "Ingalls Memorial Library," and one hundred and eighty-six (186) were books from Ingalls Memorial Library circulated through the Branch Library. Number of juvenile books, two hundred and ninety-four (294).

Whole number of cards issued to December 31, 1903, two hundred and eighty-three (283). Thirty new names were added to the list of patrons.

The different classes stand as follows:

Fiction,	722	Fine Arts,	13	Travels,	50
Religion,	2	Literature,	10	Biography,	72
Sociology,	18	Poetry,	36	Ancient History,	9
Natural Science,	28	Philology,	6	Modern History,	31
Useful Arts,	14				

Through the continued kindness of Miss Ware, sixty-two new books were added during the year. Also eighteen valuable pamphlets from various sources.

MRS. H. E. WETHERBEE,
Librarian.

VITAL STATISTICS.

To the Selectmen:

In compliance with an act of the legislature, passed June session, 1887, amended by the legislature of 1899, requiring "clerks of towns and cities to furnish a transcript of the record of births, marriages and deaths to the municipal officers for publication in the Annual Report," I hereby submit the following:

Births Registered in the Town of Rindge, N. H., for the Year ending Dec. 31, 1903.

Date of Birth		Name of Child (if any).	Sex and Condition. Male or Female.	Living or Stillborn.	No. of child 1st, 2d, etc.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father.	Age of Mother.
Jan.	6	Ernest Ai	M	L	8	Joseph Popple, Jr.	Emma V. Comstock	Farmer	Keene	Freeport, Ca.	38	29
Feb.	13	Regnald	M	L	2	Fred Duplease	Minnie Lesperance	Wood chopper	Rindge	Lewis, N. Y.	24	23
Apr.	2	Mabel Ellen	F	L	2	Fred H. F. Todd	Etta M. Buzzell	Teamster	"	Rindge	29	27
"	15		F	L	4	Edward L. Morrison	Ada Ramsdell	Sawyer	New Salem, Ms.	New Salem, Ms.	31	24
"	19	Bessie B	F	L	1	James Lesperance	Rosa Duplease	Wood chopper	New York	Rindge	28	16
June	4	William Henry	M	L	2	Clarence S. Wilder	Fannie M. Smith	Laborer	Sterling, Ms.	"	39	28
"	18	Herbert Clifford	M	L	2	Edward P. Woodward	Hattie Popple	Farmer	Lyndeboro	"	51	30
July	11	Charles Harvey	M	L	2	William F. Wilder	Cora Harwood	"	Rindge	Rockville, Ct.	32	29
"	15	Dorothy Ellen	F	L	1	Arthur F. Bartlett	Zua A. Mason	Broom maker	Fitchburg, Ms.	Orange, Ms.	30	27
Aug.	20	Alice Isabelle	F	L	1	William Duplease, Jr.	Florence Bavvis	Wood chopper	Rindge	Canada	21	16
Sept.	29		M	L	1	Loring C. Bemis	Eva V. Hill	Laborer	Fitzwilliam	Fitzwilliam	23	16
Nov.	30	Rexford Lawrence	M	L	1	Lawrence B. Hatch	Marion M. Champane	Physician	Northumberland	Littleton	25	18
Dec.	1	Florence Mabel	F	L	1	Frank Dyer	Florence A. Bartlett	Roofer	Fitchburg, Ms.	Fitchburg, Ms.	24	23
"	18	Richard John	M	L	9	Joseph Popple, Jr.	Emma V. Comstock	Farmer	Keene	Freeport, Ca.	39	30

Marriages Registered in the Town of Rindge, N. H., for the Year ending Dec. 31, 1903.

Date of Marriage.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age in years.	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of each.	Names of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Condition.*	Name, Residence and Official Station of person by whom married.
Jan. 1	Rindge	Jason S. Perry	Rindge	55	Farmer	Rindge	Jason B. Perry Sally Wilson	Rindge New Ipswich	2d	Rev. G. Yager Rindge
		Martha F. Rice	"	53	Housekeeper	"	John F. Hale Rebecca Bailey	Rindge Nelson	2d	
" 10	"	Harry A. Miller	"	21	Laborer	"	Charles H. Miller Jennie M. Tatro	Westboro, Ms. Rindge	1st	Rev. G. Yager Rindge
		Emma E. Leighton	"	34	Teacher	"	Byron D. Leighton Adaline Payton	Littleton Paris, Ky.	1st	
Feb. 7	"	Loring C. Bemis	"	22	Laborer	Fitzwilliam	Will Bemis Alice S. Wilder	Fitzwilliam	1st	Rev. C. A. Cook Rindge
		Eva V. Hill	"	15	At home	"	Webster F. Hill Lunettie Pierce	Gardner, Ms. Winchendon, Ms.	1st	
Sept. 16	"	Roy D. Carr	"	29	Engineer	New Ipswich	James E. Carr I. Amanda Danforth	Fitchburg, Ms. Rindge	1st	Rev. D. J. Smith Rindge
		Fannie E. Carey	"	23	At home	Berwick, N. S.	John Carey Jennie D Ray	Alysford, N. S. Harborville N. S.	1st	

* Whether single or widowed. What marriage—whether 1st, 2d, etc.

Deaths Registered in the Town of Rindge, N. H., for the Year ending Dec. 31, 1903.

Date of Death.	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age. Years.	Age. Months.	Age. Days.	Place of Birth.	Sex and Cond'n Male or Female.	Sex and Cond'n S., M., W.*	Place of Birth. Father.	Place of Birth. Mother.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.
Jan. 23	Gilman P. Wellington	83	7	5	Rindge	M	M		Rindge	Leonard Wellington	Lucinda Page
Feb. 18	Hazel Hadlock		3	27	"	F		Woodville	Claremont	John B. Hadlock	May Hastings
Mar. 31	Albert Hill	56				M					
May 3	Louisa Hardison	87		27	"	F	M	Bolton, Ms.		Benjamin Hastings	Nabby Whitcomb
June 22	Ella A. Rice	50	4		"	F	M	New Ipswich	Rindge	Harrison G. Rice	Elizabeth B. Wood
July 13	Huldah H. Converse	65	9	21	Marshfield, Ms.	F	M	Marshfield, Ms.		Naham Mitchell	Mary Hatch
" 31	Elijah Bemis	74	4	12	Marlboro	M	M	Troy	Troy	Elijah Bemis	Lucy Butler
Aug. 17	Charles I. Chadwick	59	10	22		M	M	Rindge		Abner Chadwick	Eliza Ann Bertholf
" 22	Ida Lavina Richards	47		19	Boston, Ms.	F	W	Wellfleet, Ms.	Danville, Me.	Joseph Brown	Lydia McKenney
Sept. 7	Agnes A. Towle	66	10		Gloucester, Ms.	F	W			—— Gerrold	
Nov. 27	Margaret Kelley	75			Ireland	F	W	Ireland	Ireland	—— Hanrahan	
Dec. 7	Edward C. Woodward		5	11	Rindge	M		Lyndeboro	Rindge	Edward P. Woodward	Hattie Popple

* Single, married or widowed.

I hereby certify that the foregoing transcript of births, marriages and deaths is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

WARREN W. EMORY,
Town Clerk.

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